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In re application of:

CHISHTI, Muhammad et al.

Application No.: 09/745,825

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Sir:

Applicants request to be informed of the status of the above-referenced application.

The case was inadvertently abandoned on April 21, 2003. A Petition to Revive was filed, and a Decision on Petition reviving the application was mailed on November 18, 2003. A copy of the Decision is attached as Exhibit A.

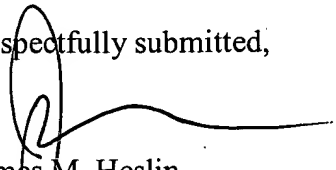
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In reviewing the status of the application PAIR, Applicants noted that the case is still shown as being abandoned (as of April 23, 2003) and that none of the papers filed after the address change have been into the Image File Wrapper.

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In re Application of
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Application No. 09/745,825
Filed: December 21, 2000
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed September 22, 2003, to revive the above-identified application.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner to the non-final Office action mailed September 10, 2002, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned after midnight December 10, 2002.

In response to the non-final Office action, petitioner submitted with the instant petition an authorization to charge \$1,300 for the petition to revive fee, an amendment, and a power of attorney.

Since the requirements for a grantable petition have been met, the petition is **GRANTED**.

A review of the record reveals that the Power of Attorney filed September 22, 2003, was signed by the assignee. However, on September 25, 2003, the undersigned contacted petitioner to inform him that the power of attorney would not be entered, since the assignee did not comply with requirements of 37 CFR 3.73(b). To date, no Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) has been received. Therefore, the power of attorney will not be entered. A courtesy copy of this decision is being mailed to petitioner. Nevertheless, all future correspondence regarding this application file will be directed solely to the address of record until the requirements of 37 CFR 3.73(b) have been met.

The application file is being forwarded to the Publishing Division for further processing into a patent.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Andrea Smith at (703) 308-6711.

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EXHIBIT A

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